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NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
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MR. Wardell Bright  
A.k.A. MR. Wydell Bright

(Enter above the full name  
of the plaintiff or plaintiffs in  
this action)

07CV 7197

JUDGE ZAGEL

MAGISTRATE JUDGE BROWN

vs.

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_  
(To be supplied by the Clerk of this Court)

(1) MR. R. Melondcz\* 11398

(2) MR. R. Corona\* 7852

(Enter above the full name of ALL  
defendants in this action. Do not  
use "et al.")

**CHECK ONE ONLY:**

☒ **COMPLAINT UNDER THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT, TITLE 42 SECTION 1983**  
U.S. Code (state, county, or municipal defendants)

☐ **COMPLAINT UNDER THE CONSTITUTION ("BIVENS" ACTION), TITLE**  
**28 SECTION 1331 U.S. Code (federal defendants)**

☐ **OTHER (cite statute, if known)**

**BEFORE FILLING OUT THIS COMPLAINT, PLEASE REFER TO "INSTRUCTIONS FOR  
FILING." FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.**

**I. Plaintiff(s):**

- A. Name: MR. Wardell Bright
- B. List all aliases: MR. Wydell Bright # 20070072575
- C. Prisoner identification number: 20070072575/prison number: N13874
- D. Place of present confinement: Cook County, Department of Correction
- E. Address: P.O. Box 089002/Chicago, Illinois, 60608

(If there is more than one plaintiff, then each plaintiff must list his or her name, aliases, I.D. number, place of confinement, and current address according to the above format on a separate sheet of paper.)

**II. Defendant(s):**

(In A below, place the full name of the first defendant in the first blank, his or her official position in the second blank, and his or her place of employment in the third blank. Space for two additional defendants is provided in B and C.)

- A. Defendant: MR. R. Melendez # 11398  
 Title: Chicago, Police Officer (Bridge-Port)  
 Place of Employment: 35<sup>th</sup> Low (Bridge Port) Chicago 60609
- B. Defendant: MR. R. Corona # 7852  
 Title: Chicago, Police Officer (Bridge-Port)  
 Place of Employment: 35<sup>th</sup> Low (Bridge-Port) Chicago 60609
- C. Defendant: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Place of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

(If you have more than three defendants, then all additional defendants must be listed according to the above format on a separate sheet of paper.)

III. List ALL lawsuits you (and your co-plaintiffs, if any) have filed in any state or federal court in the United States:

- A. Name of case and docket number: None
- B. Approximate date of filing lawsuit: N/A
- C. List all plaintiffs (if you had co-plaintiffs), including any aliases: None  
N/A
- D. List all defendants: N/A
- E. Court in which the lawsuit was filed (if federal court, name the district; if state court, name the county): NONE
- F. Name of judge to whom case was assigned: N/A
- G. Basic claim made: NONE
- H. Disposition of this case (for example: Was the case dismissed? Was it appealed? Is it still pending?): NO
- I. Approximate date of disposition: NONE

**IF YOU HAVE FILED MORE THAN ONE LAWSUIT, THEN YOU MUST DESCRIBE THE ADDITIONAL LAWSUITS ON ANOTHER PIECE OF PAPER, USING THIS SAME FORMAT. REGARDLESS OF HOW MANY CASES YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY FILED, YOU WILL NOT BE EXCUSED FROM FILLING OUT THIS SECTION COMPLETELY, AND FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN DISMISSAL OF YOUR CASE. CO-PLAINTIFFS MUST ALSO LIST ALL CASES THEY HAVE FILED.**

## IV. Statement of Claim:

State here as briefly as possible the facts of your case. Describe how each defendant is involved, including names, dates, and places. **Do not give any legal arguments or cite any cases or statutes.** If you intend to allege a number of related claims, number and set forth each claim in a separate paragraph. (Use as much space as you need. Attach extra sheets if necessary.)

I was Racially, Violently & Viciously attacked by two Chicago Police Officer's. On 9-23-07 between 11<sup>00</sup> PM & 11<sup>30</sup> PM. (On 53<sup>th</sup> Carpenter St.). I Wardell Bright was stamped, kicked, beaten; punch in back of head, kicked in face & in my Right eye & Nose. I had knees drop on the middle of my back. By Chicago, police officer's: MR. R. Melendez \*11398 And MR. R. Corona \*7852. While being called a lot of Racial Slur's (Called by arresting Police Officer) Niggers & Black-ass-Niggers. All the while (Stamping) & (Beating) me continually, all over my up body mainly & kicked in my Neck, Black & face. I was taken too Hospital before, I was locked-up. Officer (State), "You going to Run on me you-black ass-Nigger, you Nigger; I'll kill you!" I Wardell Bright \*20070072575, was going through a thing people through-out (garbitch) in the alley between Morgan & Carpenter on 53<sup>th</sup> Street. When a police car pull-up. Two Police got out with

flush-light in there hand. Asked, me for I.D. and what  
 was I doing? I told them (going through garbitch).  
 I said that, I didn't have I.D. But I did. One asked me to  
 come over to the Police Car # put my hands on the front  
 of the police Car; # I did. While one of the police looked  
 around the garbitch # back-yard of 53<sup>th</sup> Morgan. Police  
 Officer, was on telephone. Officer: MR. R. Melondee # 11398,  
 while he looked around in the back yard. He Officer  
 on the phone (stated) I think that I'm smart, cause  
 I didn't run; # I was going to wish, I had ran, after  
 they get through with me (I was afraid) # (In fear for  
 my life). So, I ran to next block, to get out of the  
 alley # on to the street. I couldn't out run the two  
 young officers. So, I stop on the street of (53<sup>th</sup> Carpenter)  
 I just ran out the alley on to the street. One of the  
 police, had me to get on my knee's. Had his gun on  
 me (one of them) hand-cuff me. Officer then, hit  
 me with something (Gun) or (flush-light) or Both,  
 I was out of it. Then Beaten of me Stared. And  
 the Racial- Slurs. (Niggers) And a lot of (Black-  
 ass-Nigger). See pages 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.

V. Relief:

State briefly exactly what you want the court to do for you. Make no legal arguments. Cite no cases or statutes.

To be payed for the Racial attacked; Violent Beaten  
that I Received by two Chicago Police. And my  
freedom. And to be payed for time in Jail # I'm  
Sleeping on the floor, in pain.

VI. The plaintiff demands that the case be tried by a jury. ☒ YES ☐ NO

CERTIFICATION

By signing this Complaint, I certify that the facts stated in this Complaint are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that if this certification is not correct, I may be subject to sanctions by the Court.

Signed this Wed. day of 12-5, 2007

Mn. Wardell Bright  
(Signature of plaintiff or plaintiffs)

MR. Wardell Bright  
(Print name)

2007-0072575  
(I.D. Number)

CCDOC Div. II Unite: CF

P.O. Box 089002

Chicago, Illinois, 60608  
(Address)

## Complaint OR Grievance

Cook, County Department of Corrections:

Complainee: Last Name: Bright First Name: WydeI.D.# 2007-0072575, Age: 50 Birthday 11-30-56.Div. II Living Unit: CF Room: 309 Date: 12-5-07.

Brief Summary of Complaint: I Wyde Bright, On 9-23-07 was attacked viciously & violently by two Chicago police officers (on 53<sup>th</sup> Carpenter<sup>St</sup>), Stump, Kicked, beaten, punch in back of head, kicked in face & in my right eye & Nose. I had knees drop on the middle of my back. By Chicago, police officers. Officer: MR. R. Melendez #11398) (Officer: MR. R. Corona #7852). From: Bridge Port, 35<sup>th</sup> Low<sup>St</sup>.) While being called a lot of Racial-Slurs (called by arresting Police officer) (Nigger's) & (Black-ass-Nigger's) all the while (stumping) me continually, all over my upper body mainly & kicked in my neck, Black & face. I was took too Hospital before, I was lock-up. Officer (stated) "you going to run on me", "you-Black-ass-Nigger", "you Nigger", "you-Black-ass-Nigger; I'll kill you".

Person having information regarding this complaint: The people of: (53<sup>th</sup> & Carpenter<sup>St</sup>.) It happen on the streets. Have-not been able to talk too anybody, about what happen. (The Beating)

Action: that I'm requesting: My freedom, to be pay for time in jail and I'm sleeping on the floor, in pain. And too be payed for the Racial, Violent, Beaten that I Received.

Complainee, Signature: Mr. Wardell Bright (real name)

I was Racially, Violently # Viciously attacked by two Chicago Police Officer's. On 9-23-07, between 11<sup>00</sup>PM # 11<sup>30</sup>PM, I was beaten, punched, kicked # Stumps for a while. By (Officers: MR. R. Melendez \*11398) # (Officer: MR. R. Corona \*7852). Called Nigger's # Black-ass - Nigger's..... I Wardell Bright, was in the alley between Morgan # Carpenter on 53<sup>th</sup> St. Going through things people through-out (garbitch). When a police car pull-up. # two officer's got out with flash-light in there hand; Asked, me what ("Was I doing?") I told them (Going through, garbitch). Officer's asked me for I.D. (I Said, "I didnt have any", I.D. But I did, have I.D. ~~WA~~). One officer, told me to come over too him # put my hands on the front of the police car; I did what he asked. While one of the police officer's looked around the garbitch # Back yard of 53<sup>th</sup> Morgan, Street; Side of the alley. He (Police) on the phone (Stated) "I think that I'm Smart, Cause I did not RUN; # "I was going to wish, I had Ran; After they get through with me. (I was afraid) # (In fear for my life!) So, I Ran too next block (Street) to get out the alley # on to the Street. I couldn't out RUN the two young Officer's. So, I stop on the street (53<sup>th</sup> Carpenter<sup>St.</sup>). I just Ran out the alley on the street. One of the officer's had me to get down on my knee's. Officer, had his gun on me (One of them) then he started hand-cuffing me. Officer, hit me with something (Gun) OR (flash-light) OR Both. I was out of it. An then, other Officer came over # drop his knee to the middle of my back. Police Officer (Stated) "you going to RUN on me; You Nigger,



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"You-Black-ass-Nigger," I'll kill you; (Officers went CRAZY on me). Officer: MR. R. Melendez \*11398 And Officer: MR. R. Corona \*7852. Officer, got too his feet, while the other officer, put me in hand-Cuffs. The two Police Officers (Both) of them; Continue with the (Racial-Slur's). The Officer, who came # drop his knee to the middle of my back; got up on his feet # Stared, kicking, Stumping # beating me badly. Anthen, drop his knee to my back again, # got up kicking, Stumping, beating me badly. All over my back # head; All the while they (Chicago Police's) from: 35<sup>th</sup> Low (Bridge-Port) Police Station. Was calling me Nigger's, OVER # OVER again. (Racial-Slur's). I was punched in back # front # Side of my head. All of this was happening at the same time. I was being kicked in my face # Right eye. I was mainly Kicked, Stumped # beaten in back, side, face # Upper part of body. I was called a lot of (Racial-Slur's) By, arresting police officer's (you-Nigger) + (you-black-ass-Nigger) "You going to Run on me; you-Black-ass-Nigger," "I'll kill you". I Wardell Bright # 20070072575, was attacked on 9-23-07, between 11<sup>00</sup> PM # 11<sup>30</sup> PM, Violently # Viciously, Beaten by Chicago Police Officer: MR. R. Corona \*7852, And Officer: MR. R. Melendez \*11398. I was-not fighting with them or anything like that. It was a Racial attack on me by two Police Officer's. All, I did was Run too get out of alley. I was in fear for my life! When I Stop Running; I did everything that officer said. I was took to the Hospital from the Police Station, before they took me to lock-up. Beating took place on 53<sup>th</sup> Carpenter Street, on the west side of the Street,

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mainly on the east end of the block.

- (1) (Eye-Right) Can't see good out of it anymore, Cause of the Beating; I Received by Chicago Police Officers. Eye is Swollen Closed & blacken badly. Was kicked in it. (Face Trauma) (Pain Daily) All around my eye Hurt's everyday and night.
- (2) (Nose) Nose on right side, is fracture. X-Rays Show.
- (3) (Neck) Up & down back bother me (Daily Hurting). There's a lot of pain from (time-to-time) in my neck. I can't turn around that good anymore; just real slow now. (Neck & Body Trauma). (Pain Daily) (Hurting).
- (4) (Arm-Right) Can't use it good anymore lost of some feeling in my arm & hand (Right) it feel like, pins & Needles are in my arm. (Hurting Daily) a lot of body Trauma; (Maybe some Nerves damage). Pain from time to time, all Night.
- (5) (Hand-Right) lost of some feeling in Right hand. It's real numb, weak & shaking now, (Off & on) I'm in some kind of pain, when using it & when not using it.
- (6) (Hand-Left) Big cut inside of hand, with small cuts too. (Bother me.)
- (7) (Back-Upper) Can't sit-up or been-over, But Real Slow. Back Bothers me everyday now. Laying down too. (Daily Pain) (Hurting)
- (8) (Back-Lower) Hurting me badly all the time; When ~~laying~~ Laying down, standing or sitting. Can't stand without pain, but for a little time now. Always Hurting now.
- (9) (Walking) makes my back hurt now; Most of the time. Can't walk fast or good anymore. without some kind of Pain.
- (10) (Head) Hurting everyday & Night, Since; I was attacked. Kicked in my head & face; And beaten in back & side of my

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head & face (stump) (Head & face Trauma). Always Pain.

(1) (Racial-Slur's) Called me a lot of (Nigger's & Black-ass-Niggers) while being stump, kicked & Beaten. I Wardell Bright, Can-not Sleep good anymore. Mind is always Running. (Replaying what happen). Hurting my head thinking about it. ————— Mind Trauma —————

(2) (Homosexual & Sexual-Slur's) Officer, said too me, "that he like him some Black-ass / Black-Booty. He was talking about having Homosexual act's with me (was said in police station). Bye Officer: MR. R. Melendez <sup>11398</sup>

(3) (Sleep mental-Health) I weak-up & walk around, Replaying what happen to me, in my mind. Of the violently Viciously, attacked & beaten, I Received by two Chicago Police Officer's; From: Bridge-Port (35<sup>th</sup> Low <sup>street</sup> Station) Police Officer's: MR. R. Melendez \*11398 And Officer: MR. R. Corona \*7852.

A.k.A. MR. Wydell Bright #2007-0072575

C.C.D.O.C. Div. II CF cell: 309

P.O. Box 089002

Chicago, Illinois, 60609

Real Name: MR. Wardell Bright / Age: 50 Birthday 11-30-56

Home Mailing address: 5306 S. Aberdeen

Chicago, Illinois, 60609

Signature: Mr. Wardell Bright

A.k.A. MR. Wydell Bright \*N-13874

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Garbitch

Me going through Garbitch

Back yard

House, Abandon builden lots

front yard

Side walk

52<sup>th</sup> Capiter St.

I told them that I would like to make a complaint in the police station, and I was told that a write-up, was made.

side walk

front yard

Back yard

Me running to here. Beaten took place here.

Signature: Mr. Marshall Bright

MORGAN 54<sup>th</sup> Street (Lots)

Police car

Alley

Abandon builden.

54<sup>th</sup> Capiter

Alley

54<sup>th</sup> Aberdeen

Victim: Mr. Marshall Bright #2007-0072575



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**INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S CLIENTS**

You will be appearing before **JUDGE DENNIS J. PORTER** in **COURTROOM 606**. **JUDGE PORTER** will be making important decisions affecting your future. Wear your best clothes, be polite and respectful, and come on time.

If you know any people who can testify for you, please get their **full names** and **addresses** and **telephone numbers**. You must give this information to your lawyer before the trial date. If the witnesses are not willing to come to court, your lawyer will issue a subpoena or court order requiring them to come.

The best time to call your lawyer is Monday through Friday between 1:00 p.m. through 4:00 p.m.

NEXT COURT DATE: Jan. 11  
TIME: 9:30 A.M.  
COURTROOM NO.: 606

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